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NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY | PEEPING JOHN

KEVIN LAMARQUE/REUTERS

CAN BILLY COME OUT AND VOTE? Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, left, and supporter Michele Lehtiner peek through a window as they stump for votes in Merrimack, N.H., on Sunday. Kerry has moved into the lead in polls after his comeback victory in Iowa, overtaking previous front-runner Howard Dean. ❖ **Anyone's race:** Undecided voters could swing primary | Page 3

Kay Raps U.S. Intel On WMD

Outgoing inspector doubts Iraq had banned weapons

WASHINGTON | U.S. intelligence agencies need to explain why their research indicated Iraq possessed banned weapons before the American-led invasion, says the outgoing top U.S. inspector, who now believes Saddam Hussein had no such arms.

"I don't think they exist," David Kay said Sunday. "The fact that we found so far the weapons do not exist — we've got to deal with that difference and understand why."

Kay

Asked whether President Bush owed the nation an explanation for the gap between his warnings and Kay's findings, Kay said: "I actually think the intelligence community owes the president, rather than the president owing the American people."

The CIA would not comment Sunday on Kay's comments, although one intelligence official pointed out that Kay himself had predicted last year that his search would turn up banned weapons.

Kay's remarks on National Public Radio reignited criticism from Democrats, who ignored his cautions that the failure to find forbidden weapons was "not a political issue."

The White House stuck by its assertions that illicit weapons will be found in Iraq but had no additional response on Sunday to Kay's statements.

Kay said he resigned Friday because the Pentagon began peeling away his staff as the military struggled to put down the Iraqi insurgency last fall. SCOTT LINDLAW (AP)

HEALTH | **Losing Weights** Pumping iron — at least heavy dumbbells — will be banned in Danish prisons following complaints by wardens who feel threatened by buff inmates, officials said last week. "Some inmates ... have become monster men,"

said Carsten Pedersen, chairman of the Union of Danish Prison Officers. Denmark's Prison and Probation Service decided to remove all weights heavier than 66 pounds from fitness centers in the country's 80 state prisons. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

EyeOpeners

ALEXANDRE MENEGHINI/AP

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

So, Who Wants Cake?

Hundreds of people holding plastic bags and other icing-laden receptacles fought on Sunday to grab a piece of the city's traditional birthday cake in Sao Paulo. It's not every day a city turns 450, and the Brazilian metropolis celebrated in style with a 450-meter cake spread on tables in the city's Italian enclave. Now the world's second-largest metropolitan area — behind Tokyo and beating out Mexico City — Sao Paulo boasts a population of some 18.3 million people, according to the United Nations. (AP)

UPDATE

One Man's Treasure Returned

A Pine Lawn, Mo., man's $1,000 bill was returned by police who had swapped it for more common currency at the mayor's request after the trucker was arrested. Curtis Smith Sr., 71, had made several requests to have the rare bill, which features the image of President Grover Cleveland, returned without success. On Friday the city gave him the money back in exchange for 10 $100 bills. The bill was seized last April when Smith was arrested on suspicion of drunken driving. Smith said he was sleeping off a few drinks in his truck on a lot he owns. (AP)

MUSIC

But It's Still Annoying

The high-pitched sound of the piccolo is not unreasonably loud as far as Madison, Wis., is concerned. That's the ruling from a jury, which last week found street musician Tom Ryan not guilty of violating a city ordinance that bans such noises. Ryan told the jury he played the piccolo for a living, making $15 to $20 on a good day at the State Street Mall near the University of Wisconsin campus. The city issued Ryan a ticket last year after nearby vendors complained that two to three hours of the piccolo every day was too much. (AP)

WAR ON DRUGS

Pile O' Pot

The fumes from several tons of marijuana stored in an Israeli police station were so strong that officers had to leave their work place. The police station in the town of Dimona in the southern Negev Desert is used to store all the marijuana confiscated along the Israeli-Egyptian border, a busy smuggling route. Between three and four tons were seized in the past two months. "The smell was overpowering," police spokesman Gil Kleiman said Friday. The drugs will be destroyed this week. (AP)

DERRING-DO

Celebrating Leap Year?

In a world record for a mass free-fall, 672 skydivers from 42 countries leaped from six aircraft over Bangkok, Thailand, on Saturday, organizers said. At least three jumpers were injured upon landing, but none of the injuries were believed to be life-threatening. The previous mark of 588 skydivers was set in Rio de Janiero, Brazil, in 2000, according an organizer of the event, Herman Landsman, and the Guinness World Records Web site. The divers leapt out of six C-130 military transport planes at 7,000 feet. Several landed in trees and one hit the roof of a university building. (AP)

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In Brief

WASHINGTON

U.S. Officials Reach Free Trade Deal With Costa Rica

The Bush administration reached an agreement with Costa Rica on Sunday that will allow that nation to join four of its neighbors — Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras — in creating a Central American Free Trade Area with the United States, officials of the two countries announced. The deal must be approved by Congress. (AP)

NATION

Winter Storm Lashes Area From Kansas to East Coast

Winter storms dumped freezing rain, sleet and snow from the Plains to the East Coast on Sunday, making traveling treacherous along ice-slicked roads. At least six people died in weather-related car wrecks: three in Missouri, two in Nebraska and one in Kansas. Dozens of airline flights were delayed or canceled from Missouri to South Carolina, and sporadic power outages were reported. (AP)

DENVER

Woman Gets Past LaGuardia Security With Weapons

A woman passed through security screening at New York's LaGuardia Airport with a stun gun and knife in her purse — but later discovered the mistake herself and alerted authorities. The woman realized she was carrying the items Saturday after a short layover in Detroit and on her way to Denver. The pilot alerted Denver International Airport; police met the plane at the gate and took the woman into custody for questioning. She was released without charges. (AP)

ELWOOD, IND.

Man Dies After Winning $57K in Lottery Game Show

A man who won $57,000 in an Indiana lottery game taped for television died hours later when he was hit by a pickup truck. The "Hoosier Millionaire" featuring Carl D. Atwood, 73, was broadcast Saturday night after his family said they wanted the show to go on, Hoosier Lottery director Jack Ross said. Atwood won the money Thursday during a two-hour taping in Indianapolis. He was hit by a truck as he walked to a grocery store just hours later. (AP)

PAUL SANCYA/AP

SEA OF SUPPORT: Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean and his wife, Judy, listen to the cheers of campaign volunteers and supporters in Manchester, N.H. on Sunday.

Kerry, Dean Spar As Primary Nears

Many voters remain undecided, wavering ahead of N.H. contest

NASHUA, N.H. | John Kerry criticized Howard Dean on Sunday for espousing tax and foreign policies that will "just kill us" at the polls in November as Kerry himself was accused of waffling on the Iraq war.

Leading comfortably in polls two days from voting, the Massachusetts lawmaker asked Dean to "stop running a negative campaign," even as he suggested that Dean can't get elected. "Between foreign policy and taxes, I think it is a serious problem," Kerry said.

Dean spokeswoman Tricia Enright said the former Vermont governor has stood up to President Bush on taxes, education and the war in Iraq. "Unfortunately, to this day, John Kerry couldn't find his position on Iraq with a compass," she said.

Sen. John Edwards, who finished second to Kerry in last week's Iowa caucuses and has promised to wage a positive campaign, said the Massachusetts senator has not been clear on the war. "I think he's said some different things at different points in time," Edwards said as the candidates made the rounds of TV news shows.

No wonder Kerry flinched when somebody called him the front-runner. "I hate that word," he said.

As temperatures hovered near zero Fahrenheit, the race heated up in a state known for promoting underdogs and surprises. The New Hampshire primary is Tuesday.

Polls showed 8 percent to 15 percent of voters were still undecided, and many more willing to reconsider their early picks. Like Sunday shoppers cruising store aisles, wavering voters drove from town to town Sunday, checking out the candidates. RON FOURNIER (AP)

Kerry country? Polls say John Kerry has moved ahead of Howard Dean in New Hampshire. Are they right? The latest news and views | washingtonpost.com/politics

From New Hampshire, With Luck

Tuesday's vote may be the last gasp for some second-tier candidates

CONCORD, N.H. | The winner of Tuesday's New Hampshire primary can expect to have the political wind at his back as the Democratic presidential campaign heads into next week's seven-state bonanza.

But for the rest of the field, the first primary is a fight for standing and survival at a time the campaign takes on a more national cast.

There are primaries and caucuses on Feb. 3 in Arizona, Delaware, Missouri, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma and South Carolina. That's 269 delegates at stake in one night, compared with 45 in last Monday's Iowa caucuses and 22 in New Hampshire.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut claims the money to compete in all seven states. He hopes to ride "Joementum" to a better-than-expected finish in New Hampshire, before heading for Delaware. Recent surveys suggest he is no longer in last place among the major candidates in New Hampshire.

The view is different at the Edwards campaign. He finished an unexpectedly strong second in last week's Iowa caucuses and hopes to surprise again in New Hampshire. DAVID ESPO (AP)

CHITOSE SUZUKI/AP

Connecticut Sen. Joseph Lieberman has pulled out of last place in the primary race, according to recent polls.

TRAIL MIX

President Bush remained a popular punching bag as Democrats streaked across the Granite State, working to gather votes for Tuesday's primary.

- Former Vermont Gov. **Howard Dean** said Sunday that the standard of living for Iraqis is a "whole lot worse" since Saddam Hussein's removal from power in last year's American-led invasion. Dean has been an unflinching critic of the war in Iraq.
- **Rev. Al Sharpton** assured black churchgoers Sunday that a vote for him will get their message all the way to the Democratic convention. "Know that I am going all the way to the end no matter what," he told a crowd in Columbia, S.C.

Edwards Leading In S.C. Primary Race, Polls Show

WASHINGTON | John Edwards appeared to have a slight lead in South Carolina with several rivals within striking distance in the Democratic presidential race, a poll released Sunday shows.

Edwards

Edwards, a native of South Carolina and senator in neighboring North Carolina, was at 21 percent. John Kerry was at 17 percent, Al Sharpton at 15 percent and Wesley Clark at 14 percent in an American Research Group poll.

Howard Dean was at 9 percent, Joe Lieberman at 5 percent, Dennis Kucinich was at 1 percent and 18 percent were undecided. South Carolina will hold its primary Feb. 3, a week after New Hampshire's primary. (AP)

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New Rover Explores Mars

NASA's second lander, Opportunity, views other side of planet

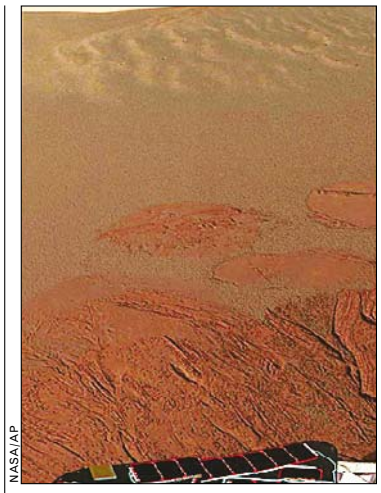
PASADENA, CALIF. | NASA's Opportunity rover zipped its first pictures of Mars to Earth, delighting and puzzling scientists just hours after the spacecraft bounced to a landing.

The pictures show a surface smooth and dark red in some places, and strewn with slabs of light bedrock in others. Bounce marks left by the rover's air bags when it landed were clearly visible.

"I am flabbergasted. I am astonished. I am blown away. Opportunity has touched down in an alien and bizarre landscape," Steven Squyres, of Cornell University and the mission's main scientist, said Sunday. "I still don't know what we're looking at."

NASA began receiving the first of dozens of black-and-white and color images from Opportunity on Sunday about four hours after its flawless landing. Mars at the time was 124 million miles from Earth.

The six-wheeled rover landed Saturday in Meridiani Planum, believed to be the smoothest, flattest spot on Mars. Opportunity lies 6,600 miles and halfway around the planet from where its twin, Spirit, landed Jan. 3. ANDREW BRIDGES (AP)



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Opportunity beamed back this image of Mars from its perch on the opposite side of the planet from fellow rover Spirit.

DECENT PROPOSAL | SMOOTH AS ICE

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SHE SAID 'YES': Tuxedo-clad ice skaters hold up signs that spell out "Will You Marry Me?" after Justin Ramedia, left, of Tampa, Fla., proposed to his unsuspecting girlfriend, Beth Striplin, of Orlando, Fla., at the Rockefeller Center skating rink in New York on Sunday. Ramedia got to pop the question in style as a winner in the Korbel Perfect Proposal Contest.

Fire at South Carolina Motel Kills 6

GREENVILLE, S.C. | A fire filled a five-story motel with thick, disorienting smoke early Sunday, killing six people and forcing other panicked guests to jump out of windows or climb down bed sheets to safety, authorities said.

At least a dozen people were injured, including at least five in critical condition at a burn unit in Augusta, Ga.

Guests and authorities said smoke filled the motel quickly, sending guests in their pajamas into a chaotic scramble for the exits and a cold rain outside.

The smoke was so thick that one guest jumped from a third-floor window onto a solid canopy when the stairwell was just a few steps away, Greenville County Coroner Parks Evans said. Blood could be seen on the outside walls of the motel near a broken window.

The Comfort Inn had standpipes and wall-mounted hoses in the hallways and stairwells, but none had been activated and no fire extinguishers were used before emergency crews arrived, said Wade Hampton Fire Chief Gary Downey. He didn't know the last time the building was inspected but said it was not required to have sprinklers.

"If there had been sprinkler systems in the hallways, probably the fatalities and injuries would not have been near what they were," Downey said. JEFFREY COLLINS (AP)

Nation

Gay, Unmarried Couples Look Forward to Registry

Voters in Ohio city first in nation to OK domestic partners law

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO | Doug Braun and his partner of 14 years couldn't wait for Monday, the first day they could go to City Hall to place their names in a registry recognizing them as domestic partners.

They will walk away with a notarized piece of paper that legally means nothing, but to Braun, 42, and his partner, Brian DeWitt, 48, it will be the most important day of their lives.

"It's not a marriage," Braun said. "For us, it's a show of our commitment to each other, it's something concrete that we can hold on to..."

The domestic registry for gay and straight unmarried partners was approved in November by voters in Cleveland Heights, an upscale Cleveland suburb of 50,000 residents. It passed with 55 percent of the vote.

Domestic registries have been created by councils and state legislatures elsewhere — the Vermont Legislature created the nation's first law recognizing the relationships of same-sex couples — but this was the first through a ballot issue, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

The opening of the Cleveland Heights registry also comes less than a week after the Ohio Legislature passed one of the country's most far-reaching bans on gay marriage.

Opponents, including the Cleveland Heights Family First Initiative, say it's wrong for a city to legitimize a lifestyle many disagree with. CONNIE MABIN (AP)

SOUTHERN SNOW | SLIPPERY WHEN WET

CHUCK LIDDY/THE NEWS AND OBSERVER/AP

LOOK FAMILIAR? Durham, N.C., got a dose of snow on Sunday — reason enough for Mike Sobb to take his 8-year-old son, Keith, out for a little sledding. The same storm system was expected to drop four or more inches in the D.C. area.

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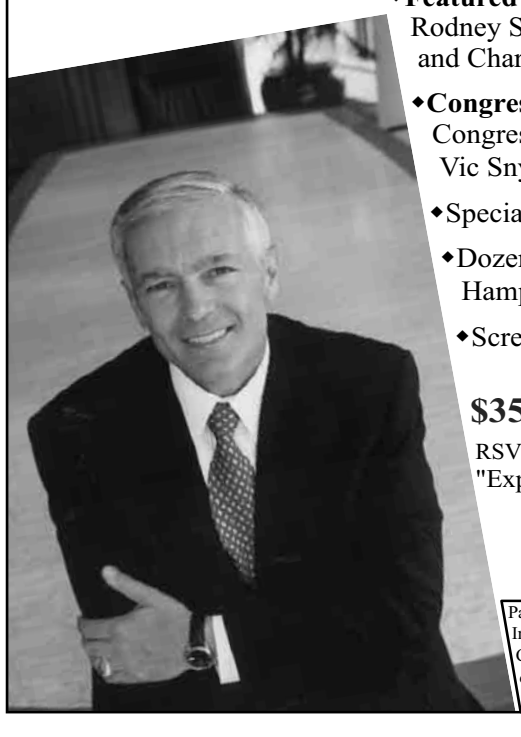

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World

U.S. Helicopter Crashes in Tigris

Cause of fifth copter accident this month unknown; 2 missing

TIKRIT, IRAQ | A U.S. helicopter crashed in the Tigris river while searching for a missing soldier on Sunday, and the aircraft's two crew members were missing, the military said.

It did not say what caused the crash of the OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter, attached to the 101st Airborne Division.

The helicopter was searching for a soldier missing when the boat he was in capsized while on patrol earlier Sunday. Three other soldiers in the boat were safe, but two Iraqi police officers and an Iraqi translator were confirmed killed, said Maj. Josslyn Aberle.

She said the search for the two pilots was underway. U.S. troops and Iraqi police sealed off the area and established checkpoints to secure the search and rescue operation. U.S. troops rushing to the scene came under "limited and ineffective small arms fire," Aberle said. An Iraqi policeman manning one of the checkpoints was killed in a drive-by shooting, witnesses said.

It was the fifth helicopter crash in Iraq this month — three of them due to hostile fire. PAUL GARWOOD (AP)

SUNNI TRIANGLE SWEEP

→ **U.S. troops arrested** nearly 50 people Sunday in raids in the Sunni Triangle after a series of bombings and attacks in the volatile region killed six American soldiers. Most of the arrests occurred in Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad, the U.S. military said. Soldiers also seized 220 hand grenades in a raid on a house south of Tikrit, a spokeswoman said. (AP)

BELARUS | THE NEW EASTERN FRONT

VASILY FEDOSENKO/REUTERS

SNOW JOB: Belarus guards bathe in snow near their barracks on the frontier post between Belarus and Poland on Sunday. When Poland joins the European Union on May 1, its border with Belarus becomes the EU's new Eastern border.

BY THE NUMBERS: Members of the European Parliament earn the same salary as their country's legislators. The Italians now make $15,100 a month, four times more than Spain's delegates. (AP)

U.S. Lawmakers Make Landmark Visit to Libya

TRIPOLI, LIBYA | A U.S. congressional delegation, arriving on the first U.S. military plane to touch down in Tripoli in more than 30 years, made a landmark visit aimed at warming ties after Libya renounced its nuclear weapons programs.

The bipartisan delegation arrived aboard a U.S. Navy plane bearing an American flag.

"We're very excited about opening this new chapter in our relations," said Rep. Curt Weldon, a Republican from Pennsylvania.

Over the last year Gadhafi has made a startling turn-around. He admitted his country's involvement in the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jetliner over Lockerbie, Scotland, and agreed to pay $2.7 billion to the victims' families.

He also admitted he had tried to develop a nuclear bomb, and invited U.N., American and British experts to inspect his weapons programs and dismantle them. (AP)

WHO KNEW? People in China spent more than $73 billion dining out last year, a 12% increase over 2002. During the early years of Communist rule in China, restaurants were scorned as bourgeois and many were closed. (AP)

Peace Corps' Newest Stop: Mexico

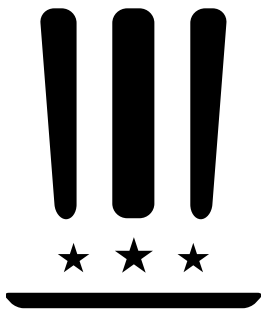
Country reverses years of resistance to U.S. aid

MEXICO CITY | Mexico has broken a decades-old tradition of rejecting U.S. aid workers, granting permission for the first group of U.S. Peace Corps volunteers to work here.

Mindful of national sensitivity over U.S. influence, though, the government plans to keep the group out of public view. The first 15 volunteers, scheduled to arrive this summer, won't be performing the Peace Corps' usual tasks in construction, rural schools or farmer training. They will be tucked away in research centers to work on information technology, science and business development.

Still, for a country that has kicked out or criticized U.S. experts in the past — and for one touchy about being viewed as underdeveloped — it's a big change.

"Mexico has never wanted to accept aid," historian Lorenzo Meyer said. "It's like accepting charity, a pittance." (AP)



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ASIA

Bird Flu Spreads to Indonesia

Indonesia became the seventh country in Asia to confirm an outbreak of deadly bird flu. Asia is on a region-wide health alert, with several governments slaughtering millions of chickens to contain outbreaks. According to WHO, the virus is resistant to key anti-influenza drugs, and an effective vaccine is probably more than six months away. There has been no evidence of person-to-person transmission. (AP)

BANGLADESH

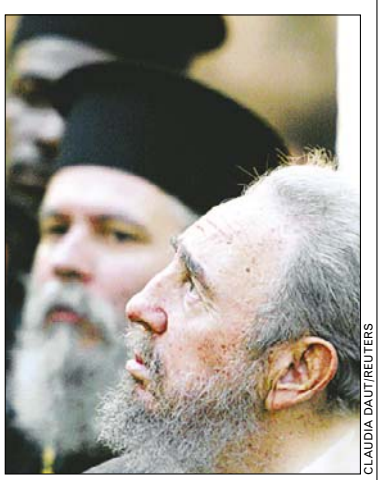
Newspapers Scarce After Strike Over Reporter's Death

Few newspapers were available in part of southwestern Bangladesh on Sunday following a strike by journalists protesting the killing of a reporter. Manik Saha, a reporter for the BBC, was killed in a bomb attack earlier this month. Six suspects have been questioned, but none has been arrested, police said. On Friday, a Maoist rebel group claimed responsibility for Saha's killing and threatened to "eliminate" nine more reporters within a week. (AP)

CUBA

Patriarch Consecrates New Church in Communist Cuba

President Fidel Castro, whose communist Cuba was once officially atheist, on Sunday gave the key for a new Byzantine cathedral to Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, the spiritual leader of the world's 300 million Orthodox Christians. The new cathedral will be used by the island's estimated 2,000 Orthodox Christians. (AP)



CLAUDIA DAUT/REUTERS

President Fidel Castro, with Orthodox priests, attends the consecration of the new church in Old Havana on Sunday.

Iran Hard-Liners Veto Election Bill

Worst political crisis since the 1979 Islamic revolution deepens

TEHRAN, IRAN | The hard-line Guardian Council vetoed a bill on Sunday that sought to reverse the disqualification of thousands of electoral candidates, a leading legislator said.

"We've been informed that the Guardian Council has vetoed the legislation on the grounds that it contradicted the constitution and Sharia [Islamic] law," Mohsen Mirdamadi said. Mirdamadi heads the parliament's National Security and Foreign Policy Committee and is one of the disqualified lawmakers.

The veto is likely to provoke a boycott of the Feb. 20 legislative elections as reformists have warned they would not take part in polls where more than a third of the 8,200 candidates have been prevented from running.

The bill that parliament passed earlier Sunday would have amended the National Elections law and forced the Guardian Council, which oversees elections, to reinstate all candidates for the elections unless there is legal documentation to prove them unfit for parliament.

Reformists have condemned the disqualifications as an attempt by the hard-liners to skew the elections in their favor. ALI AKBAR DAREINI (AP)

GEORGIA | SWEARING IN

MISHA JAPARIDZE/AP

STANDARD-BEARER: President Mikhail Saakashvili speaks during his inauguration ceremony in Tbilisi on Sunday. Saakashvili takes the helm amid high hopes that he can bring prosperity to the beleaguered ex-Soviet republic. The flag in the background is the new Georgian national flag.

Pakistanis Decry Scientists' Arrests

RAWALPINDI, PAKISTAN | Hundreds of Muslim hard-liners demonstrated Sunday in support of Pakistan's detained nuclear scientists, men hailed as national heroes for creating the Islamic world's first nuclear weapon and now implicated in the sale of weapons technology to Iran.

Pakistan's government denies it authorized weapons technology transfers to other countries, but says individuals may have done so for their own profit. Eight employees of the Khan Research Laboratories, a nuclear weapons facility named for its founder, Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan, are being held for questioning.

"We will never accept the blame being leveled against the nuclear scientists," said Qazi Hussain Ahmed, leader of the radical Islamic opposition coalition, at the protest. (AP)

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Local

D.C. Area Braces for Snow

Preventive measures include Metro running cars to keep tracks clear

WASHINGTON | The Washington area braced Sunday for what weather forecasters were calling the first big snow storm this winter.

The National Weather Service issued a winter storm warning for Sunday evening through Monday. Forecasters said a large storm system was coming through the Tennessee Valley, moving up through the Ohio Valley, then was expected to continue through New England by Tuesday.

Hundreds of salt trucks in the District of Columbia and Maryland and Virginia suburbs began to treat roads late Sunday in preparation for up to eight inches of snow by Monday.

The District declared a snow emergency in an effort to clear major streets of parked cars.

Metro planned to operate empty trains overnight to keep the tracks clear. Metrorail can operate a normal schedule if it snows four to six inches, but eight or more inches caused trains to break down in the past.

Metro decided late last year that if eight or more inches accumulates, the agency would operate only underground stations — using about 50 rail cars. Trains would run about every half hour. (AP)

STEPHANIE KLEIN-DAVIS/AP

Debbie Marchitelli bundles up during Sunday's snowstorm as it hits Roanoke, Va.

Openings and closings: For a complete listing of what schools and offices are closed due to the snow, as well as weather predictions | washingtonpost.com/metro

Group Protests Dog Testing at U.Va.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. | A newly formed group is calling for the University of Virginia to drop a laboratory course that uses live dogs, then puts them to death when the students are finished.

Citizens for Humane Medicine is calling for the university to quit offering the elective course, which requires third-year medical students to cut open dogs and perform life-saving procedures on them. The animals are then euthanized. About 100 healthy dogs used at U.Va. for educational purposes die each year, at a cost to the state of nearly $22,000.

Supporters argue that there's nothing wrong with using animals to gain knowledge.

All of the nation's top 20 medical schools have eliminated their animal labs and implemented alternatives such as working on human cadavers or computerized mannequins. (AP)

Historic Remains Found in Yorktown

YORKTOWN, VA. | Archaeologists have found two bodies along the Yorktown waterfront, including what could be the remains of a woman who drowned in a hurricane.

One body apparently was that of a woman who died in the early 20th century, likely during the hurricane of August 1933.

The other body dates to the 18th century and probably was buried before the 1781 Siege of Yorktown, said Hank Lutton, the project's lead archaeologist. (AP)

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Local

Inexperienced Board to Control Metro's Future

WASHINGTON | This is a time of transition for the Metro Board.

Robert J. Smith, who joined the board in August, took over as chairman Thursday from D.C. Council member Jim Graham — who noted that four board members with a combined 89 years of experience have resigned or died in the past 12 months.

In 2003, Katherine Hanley and John Davey — each of whom spent 12 years on the board — resigned, as did Cleatus Barnett, who spent 32 years on the board. Last week saw the death of one of the fathers of Metro, Carlton Sickles, who had served on the board 33 years.

"The rest of us combined don't have 89 years here," said board member Christopher Zimmerman.

Smith plans to lay out his goals at next month's board meeting, but he did say he wants to take a second look at Metro's plans to buy more natural gas buses. Metro's fleet of 1,400 buses currently includes 164 that run on compressed natural gas, which are twice as expensive to buy.

Smith also said he will monitor how Metro spends its money.

CANDACE SMITH (AP)

CHINESE NEW YEAR | ENTER THE DRAGON

PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

WALKING THE STREETS: A group of teenagers practice before taking part in the annual Chinese New Years' celebration in Washington, D.C.'s Chinatown neighborhood on Sunday, kicking off the Year of the Monkey.

SINCE YOU ASKED

Q A Metro employee told me the electronic signs on train platforms are updated manually. Does Metro really have employees who spend their days typing, "Orange Line Train – 3 Minutes"?

A We are happy to report that the answer is no.

Metro spokeswoman Cheryl Johnson said the information on those signs, such as train arrival times, is automated unless there is a change to normal operations — such as a service interruption, an elevator or escalator outage, or track work being done. In that case, messages explaining the situation are typed in by a Metro employee.

Although Metro staff may put in an occasional update on a train's estimated arrival time if it's far from the station, they don't do the minute-to-minute updates, Johnson said. DANNY FREEDMAN (EXPRESS)

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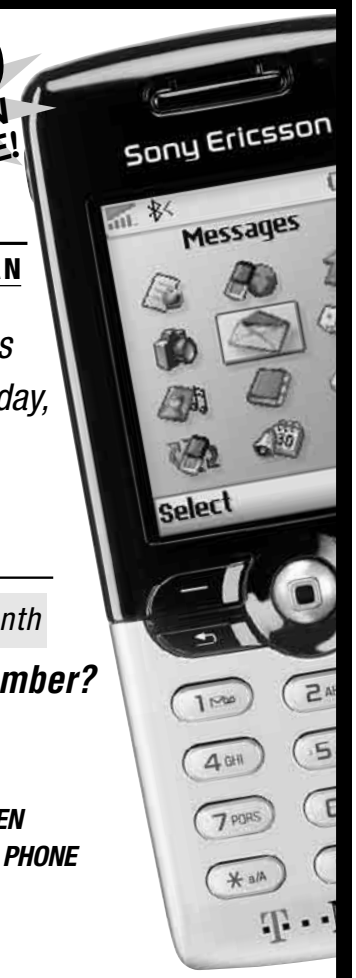

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Sports

No Longer a Brownout

Wizards forward shows progress in third year

PRO BASKETBALL | Who is that wearing the No. 5 jersey for the Washington Wizards?

You know, the big man? The one moving so confidently through the lane, grabbing rebounds, dunking over defenders?

Can that really be Kwame Brown? For so long, he seemed destined to be one of the biggest busts in NBA history, a No. 1 overall draft pick who never panned out.

Maybe it's too early for a coming-out party, but suddenly Brown's got game. He scored his career high twice this month, including 25 points with nine rebounds in the Washington Wizards' victory over the Indiana Pacers on Saturday.

"I'm a lot more comfortable," Brown said.

Over his past 12 games, Brown is averaging 13.8 points and 8.7 rebounds and has worked his way back into the starting lineup. He has led his team in scoring four times this season.

And the Wizards, parked near the bottom of the standings all season, have won three of four games.

Perhaps he isn't quite putting up All-Star numbers yet, but consider this: Brown led the Wizards in scoring a grand total of just once in his first two seasons — it happened to be Michael Jordan's final game — and he mostly languished on the bench while averaging 6.2 points and 4.6 rebounds.

Why the sudden turnaround for the first player to go No. 1 overall in the NBA draft straight out of high school? Brown is hanging around the low post. He's been playing center when the Wizards go to a smaller lineup, but he's also staying in the paint more when at power forward.

Coach Eddie Jordan is giving Brown a chance. Michael Jordan and former coach Doug Collins often got fed up with Brown's teenage mind-set and would banish him to the bench for long stretches.

Brown is growing up. This is the 22-year-old's third season, the year players drafted straight from high school often make the big jump.

JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Chat House: Washington Post columnists Tony Kornheiser and Michael Wilbon field questions about local sports teams | washingtonpost.com/liveonline at 1:30 p.m.

RICKY CARIOTI/TWP

Former No. 1 pick Kwame Brown has shown improvement of late for the Wizards.

Path Set for Semifinal With Roddick vs. Agassi

TENNIS | Asked to pick a title favorite heading into the Australian Open's second week, Andy Roddick pointed to Andre Agassi.

After all, Agassi has won this major four times and is on a 25-match winning streak here. Roddick likened Agassi's success at Melbourne Park to Pete Sampras's reign at Wimbledon.

Agassi

"There's a lot of guys left ... take your pick," Roddick said. "But, you know, kind of like when Pete went on his big Wimbledon runs, I think it's Andre's title until someone takes it away from him."

Roddick might get a chance to be that someone, because he and Agassi are on course to meet in the semifinals. Both reached the quarterfinals with relative ease, winning fourth-round matches in straight sets Sunday.

Roddick will play 2000 U.S. Open champion Marat Safin in the quarterfinals, while Agassi must get past No. 9 Sebastien Grosjean. Agassi improved to 205-45 in Grand Slam matches and sounded like someone who likes his chances for adding a ninth major title to his collection.

"I feel like I've experienced every part of my game throughout this first week, and I've liked the levels I've hit," Agassi said. JOHN PYE (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

PRO BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) The Washington Wizards welcome former teammate Rasheed Wallace to town when playing the Portland Trailblazers.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN) Texas (12-3. 3-1) looks to become the first Big 12 team to knock off Bobby Knight's Texas Tech (16-2, 4-0).

TENNIS (10:30 p.m. on ESPN2) The men's quarterfinal of the Australian Open.

PRO HOCKEY (8 p.m. on ESPN2) Central division-leading Detroit visits Dallas, which is in second place in the Pacific division.

EXTREME SPORTS (9 p.. on ESPN) Day three of the Winter X Games VIII in Aspen, Colo.

SUPER BOWL | PATRIOTIC DISPLAY

JIM ROGASH/AP

SEND OFF: A fan cheers the Patriots as the team leaves Sunday for Houston — the site of the Super Bowl. Carolina also arrived in Texas Sunday.

BY THE NUMBERS: After its 75-56 loss to Fairfield on Sunday, the men's basketball team of Loyola (Md.) has now been defeated 31 straight times. The NCAA record for most consecutive losses in Division I is 33, set by Grambling. (AP)

Wake-Up Call: Seminoles Upset Demon Deacons

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL | Tim Pickett scored all of his 18 points in the second half Sunday and Florida State made six straight free throws over the final 45 seconds in a 75-70 victory over No. 10 Wake Forest, which lost its fourth straight.

The win was the second in four days over a Top Ten team for the Seminoles. Florida State (14-5, 3-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) beat North Carolina on Thursday.

The Wake Forest Demon Deacons (11-4, 2-3) led throughout the second half until Todd Galloway's two free throws with 45 seconds remaining gave the Seminoles the lead at 71-70. (AP)

HEARSAY | CAPITALS

"It's pretty clear in this business that the model we've used the past few years doesn't work."

—CAPITALS GM GEORGE MCPHEE EXPLAINING TO THE WASHINGTON POST WHY HE TRADED JAROMIR JAGR TO THE NEW YORK RANGERS ON FRIDAY.

Dallas Topples Sacramento

Mavericks' winning streak reaches 8 with victory over the Kings

PRO BASKETBALL | The Dallas Mavericks have won eight straight games, and the latest victory means the most.

Michael Finley scored 23 points, including the go-ahead 18-footer with 1:58 left, and the Mavericks won 108-99 Sunday over the Sacramento Kings, who entered with the Western Conference's best record.

After Sacramento (30-12) fought back from a 10-point deficit to tie the game at 97 on Mike Bibby's 3-pointer with 2:14 left, the Mavericks scored nine straight points to clinch the victory.

Finley's shot put the Mavericks ahead, and after a miss by the Kings, Steve Nash passed to Dirk Nowitzki for a layup and then added the free throw to put the Mavericks over 100 points with 1:28 to go.

The last seven wins have come since Mavericks owner Mark Cuban met with Don Nelson to clear the air about rumors concerning the coach's future. STEPHEN HAWKINS (AP)

TONY GUTIERREZ/AP

Dallas guard Michael Finley flips a loose ball to a teammate in Sunday's game.

LINDA KAYE/AP

Shortstop Alex Rodriguez thinks he "definitely" will be a Ranger for a long time.

Rodriguez Named Rangers' Captain

PRO BASEBALL | Alex Rodriguez was appointed captain of the Texas Rangers on Sunday following a tense offseason in which the team nearly dealt the American League MVP to the Boston Red Sox.

Rodriguez met for five hours with Rangers owner Tom Hicks, general manager John Hart and manager Buck Showalter as the team's key figures tried to put the turbulent offseason behind them.

"I definitely think I'm going to be here for a long time," Rodriguez said.

Texas agreed last month to a deal that would have sent Rodriguez to Boston, but the trade was contingent on the shortstop agreeing to restructure his record $280 million, 10-year contract. (AP)

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10	CONF.
New Jersey	21	20	.512	—	4-6	13-10
Boston	22	23	.489	1	5-5	13-16
New York	20	26	.435	3.5	6-4	15-14
Philadelphia	19	25	.432	3.5	4-6	15-13
Miami	18	26	.409	4.5	4-6	13-12
Washington	13	29	.310	8.5	4-6	8-20
Orlando	12	32	.273	10.5	4-6	10-20

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10	CONF.
Indiana	33	13	.717	—	7-3	23-7
Detroit	29	15	.659	3	8-2	19-9
New Orleans	25	19	.568	7	4-6	17-11
Milwaukee	24	19	.558	7.5	7-3	19-10
Toronto	20	21	.488	10.5	4-6	12-12
Cleveland	15	28	.349	16.5	5-5	10-16
Atlanta	13	31	.295	19	4-6	8-20
Chicago	12	31	.279	19.5	2-8	11-16

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10	CONF.
Minnesota	29	12	.707	—	8-2	12-9
San Antonio	29	16	.644	2	5-5	12-10
Dallas	27	16	.628	3	8-2	16-10
Houston	25	17	.595	4.5	7-3	11-13
Denver	26	19	.578	5	6-4	17-11
Memphis	24	18	.571	5.5	9-1	13-12
Utah	21	22	.488	9	4-6	10-15

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10	CONF.
Sacramento	30	11	.732	—	7-3	17-9
L.A. Lakers	26	15	.634	4	5-5	14-13
Seattle	22	20	.524	8.5	5-5	15-8
L.A. Clippers	18	23	.439	12	4-6	11-16
Golden State	18	25	.419	13	4-6	10-17
Portland	17	24	.415	13	2-8	8-17
Phoenix	16	28	.364	15.5	4-6	10-16

Standings through Jan. 24 games

✣ **Shell game:** For results of the Maryland Terrapins game at ACC rival Clemson, as well as other nighttime sports action | washingtonpost.com/sports

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	23	16	6	3	55	123	109
Atlanta	21	22	5	2	49	139	147
Florida	17	20	10	3	47	110	131
Carolina	16	22	9	2	43	91	119
Washington	14	28	5	2	35	117	153

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	24	11	10	5	63	135	112
New Jersey	24	12	10	1	59	108	84
N.Y. Islanders	24	20	4	1	53	140	123
N.Y. Rangers	18	20	7	4	47	128	140
Pittsburgh	11	31	5	3	30	99	183

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	27	12	8	3	65	137	119
Ottawa	27	12	7	3	64	167	102
Boston	22	14	10	4	58	122	118
Montreal	24	18	6	2	56	123	108
Buffalo	19	25	5	1	44	116	130

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	28	15	6	2	64	163	120
St. Louis	25	16	6	1	57	120	115
Nashville	24	17	6	2	56	117	123
Columbus	14	25	7	3	38	100	138
Chicago	12	26	7	5	36	108	145

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	28	11	8	2	66	153	111
Vancouver	26	14	7	2	61	140	112
Calgary	24	17	4	3	55	115	103
Minnesota	17	20	14	0	48	110	115
Edmonton	19	22	8	1	47	125	131

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	23	12	11	4	61	123	104
Dallas	23	20	8	0	54	102	112
Los Angeles	19	15	10	5	53	128	124
Phoenix	18	15	13	2	51	123	124
Anaheim	15	22	8	5	43	104	131

Standings through Jan. 24 games.
One point awarded to overtime losses.

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Sports

In Brief

PRO BASKETBALL

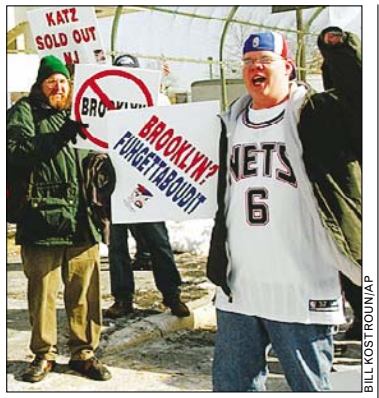
James Practices, Might Be Available to Play on Monday

Cavaliers rookie LeBron James practiced for the first time since spraining his right ankle and said he might play Monday against Orlando. James has missed three games since getting hurt on Jan. 17 against Utah. He had been limited to just shooting this past week, but was able to make it through a full practice Sunday. The No. 1 overall draft pick wants to see how his ankle feels following Monday morning's shootaround before deciding whether to play against the Magic. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL

Nets Fans Protest Team's Possible Move to Brooklyn

Some 30 people protested the proposed sale and move of the New Jersey Nets to Brooklyn, N.Y., on Sunday outside the team's home arena. The protest came two days after the Nets' current owners agreed to sell the franchise to Brooklyn developer Bruce Ratner for $300 million. The Nets can't move until Ratner builds an arena in Brooklyn and the league approves a location change. (AP)



BILL KOSTROUN/AP

Some vocal Nets fans are not eager to see the team move to Brooklyn, N.Y.

EUROPEAN SOCCER

Own Goal Dooms Valencia

Argentine defender Mauricio Pellegrino scored an own-goal Sunday as Valencia lost to Osasuna 1-0 and failed to regain the Spanish league's top spot from Real Madrid. Valencia's loss ends its nine-game unbeaten streak and leaves it two points behind the defending champions in the standings. (AP)

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Richmond Downs Xavier

Reggie Brown's 3-pointer with 2:02 left broke a 44-44 tie and Richmond scored the final nine points of the game to beat Xavier 53-44 on Sunday. Richmond, which upset No. 12 Kansas at Kansas on Thursday, beat Xavier for the second consecutive season on the Musketeers' home court. (AP)

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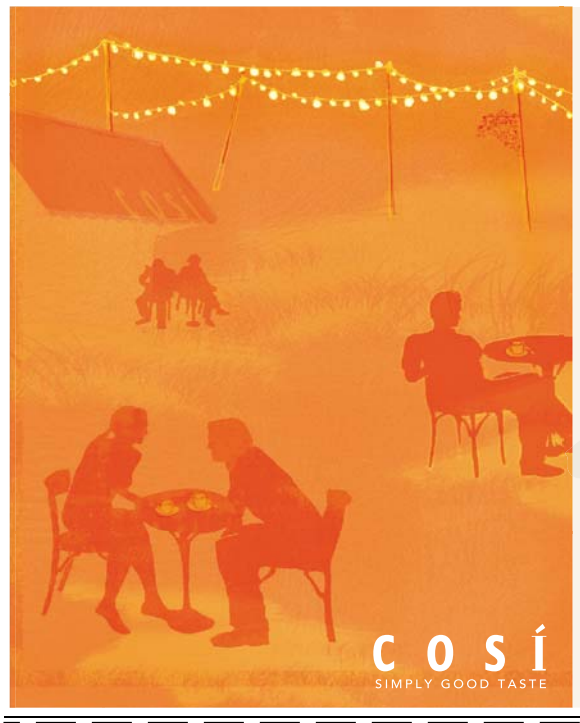

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Whitewashing History

The cause of many old wounds gets a p.c. new treatment

BOOKS | The children's book "The Story of Little Black Sambo" has been reprinted with new illustrations to replace the condescending renderings of its young, dark-skinned protagonist.

But the new version has reignited a decades-old debate over the book, whose original, ethnically stereotypical drawings have made it something of a racial flashpoint.

The new edition of Helen Bannerman's 1899 story, with illustrations by Christopher Bing, was released last month by Handprint Books. At one level a charming narrative, Bannerman's book has been called racist for its derogatory caricatures and names: Sambo, and his parents, Mumbo and Jumbo.

Cultural historians are divided over the new version.

Todd Boyd, a professor at University of Southern California's School of Cinema-Television, said the publisher "seemed to be trying to find something virtuous in something that is inherently flawed. The name itself conjures up the same negative images that the [original] illustrations represented."

Randall L. Kennedy, a professor at Harvard Law School, said there may be some historical value in reviving the story. "Do we want people to know about the word 'Sambo'?" he asked. "The fact is, it has a very interesting history. It obviously has been used in very racist, despicable ways, and that should be known." The term as a pejorative dates back to the 19th century.

The book tells how little Sambo runs into some man-eating tigers. He outwits them by giving them his fine new clothes, and they bicker over who looks grander in the clothes. As the tigers chase each other around a tree, they melt into a pool of butter. Jumbo brings the butter home, and Mumbo uses it to make pancakes "as yellow and brown as little Tigers." Sambo eats 169 "because he was so hungry."

Bing depicts Sambo as a happy boy with short curly hair. He sets Sambo in what he describes as "a fantasy in India," melding Islamic, Buddhist and Christian architectural elements; Mumbo wears a sari and Jumbo is drawn with a turban. The big format edition contains a publisher's note acknowledging the story's "dark and complex history."

"I feel people who truly love the story see the character the way I drew him, in a positive way, rather than as a negative buffoon," Bing said. ULA ILNYTZKY (AP)

HANDPRINT BOOKS/AP

REVISED EDITION: The new drawings for "Little Black Sambo" evoke a fantasy version of India, but the title still stings some.

Leaded Crystal

Techno duo's 'Boom' is on the meaty edge of electroni-dance

MUSIC | The Crystal Method's latest album, "Legion of Boom" (V2), is like most of their past music, in the best sense: thick and juicy techno with hearty beats and a spunky pace that can get your head bobbing in short order.

"True Grit" is a truly pumping track, with buzzing snippets of sound providing the melody as the heavy beats kick in. The pace of this song has loads of energy, but it's not so frenetic that it causes the anxiety that some other brands of techno can.

On the other hand, "Weapons of Mass Distortion" cranks up the blood pressure a bit. True to its title, "Weapons" features some heavy guitar distortion, as though Limp Bizkit had stumbled into a studio where Prodigy was recording a song and they all decided to jam together — and Fred Durst shut up during the recording. Nice.

Less-than-stellar tracks include the plodding "American Way," which sounds like a decent idea on Valium. The featured rap is weak and the pace and scratch effects do nothing to modernize this song or bring this sleeper to life.

RON HARRIS (AP)

Method's Scott Kirkland and Ken Jordan.

Today's Top Stops

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Slow and Steady: Lalah Hathaway

1 Lalah Hathaway takes her time between recordings — multiple years at a stretch. But whether the daughter of the great singer Donnie Hathaway is building up her vocal chops — folding yet more genres into her repertoire of jazz, fusion, urban soul and easy listening — or just chilling on a tropical beach, she's doing something right. Through Jan. 27.

Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., $29.50; 703-549-7500.

Trevelyon's Hobby: Merry Miscellany

2 In 1608, Thomas Trevelyon set some jottings to elaborate illustrations — a useful aphorism here, a pretty portrait of the queen there, a scripture passage, a rhyme, a political verse — the sum of which musings finally reached 600 pages. After careful conservation, the "Trevelyon Miscellany" is on view and its brilliance and diversity make for riveting browsing. Through May 23.

Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol St. SE; free; 202-544-7077. (Capitol South)

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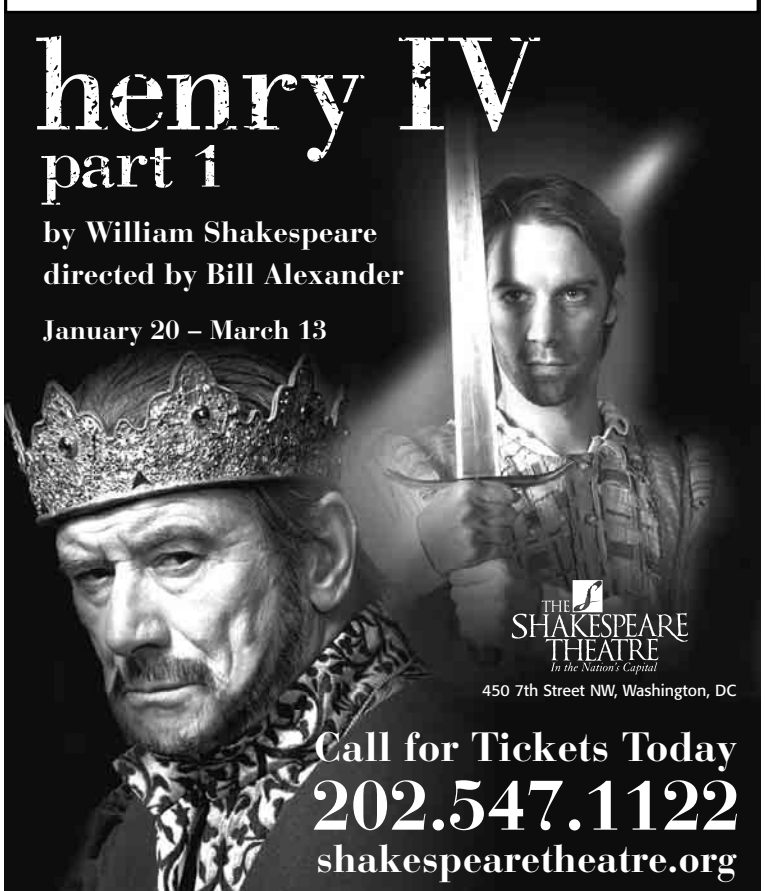
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Entertainment

MEN OF THE WORLD: My Morning Jacket finds that the "Southern rock" label doesn't fit its haunting country-blues-rock.

High Lonesome

MUSIC | Bands from the South are attracting notice, but don't lump My Morning Jacket into a Southern-rock resurgence, warns frontman Jim James. "I just have a hard time with the term 'Southern rock,'" he said. "I'm proud of where we're from ... but I think when you say that word, it limits people's minds and what they think a band can be."

Louisville, Ky.'s My Morning Jacket has resisted all kinds of limitations. The group's loose-limbed amalgams of rock, country and blues earned the quartet copious critical praise last year for its third album, "It Still Moves." James's voice is drenched in reverb, lending an emotional sheen to songs that call to mind classic material by the Band.

The record was the band's first for Dave Matthews's ATO Records, and James says releasing "It Still Moves" was one of the highlights of 2003. Still, James can't quite explain why, but he has a feeling that 2004 will be even better.

"This year's going to be a really good, weird year. It's the 10-year anniversary of 1994, which I consider to be a vintage, classic year in my brain," he says.

What was so great about 1994?

"Maybe it was just one of those first years when you really start to branch out as a person beyond what you've been as a kid and what you've been through adolescence and changing and trying to figure out yourself," he said.

James isn't sure yet how his hunch will manifest itself, but then, he doesn't figure he'll see it coming.

"I just want to be able to roll with the changes and be a happy person and try to not get bogged down. I just want to keep making good music." ERIC R. DANTON (THE HARTFORD COURANT)

My Morning Jacket will be at 9:30 Club this Sat., Jan. 31, with Citizen Cope and Dr. Dog.

Today's TopStops

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Scream Queen: Smackdown Signing

3 You know that sound Howard Dean made after bombing in Iowa? That's the sort of sound a woman like Sable inspires. She's a WWE Smackdown diva, a pumped princess, a menace on the wrestling mat and a superstar in spangles, and she'll be available for two autograph sessions the day before the Smackdown's really big show at MCI Center. Whaoorowrrr!

ESPN Zone, 555 12th St. NW; 11:30 a.m. (Metro Center); George Washington University, Marvin Center, Room #403; 2 p.m. (Foggy Bottom)

WWE wrestler Sable advances the cause of women in professional sports.

Going Up: Elevating Talk

4 Third floor: fine linens and ladies' delicates. Fourth floor: esteemed lecturers, eggheads and the social history of engineering. Dr. Lee E. Gray of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte takes you up and down and up again during "From Elevator Operators to Push-Button Service," a lecture on the social and cultural history of elevators and skyscrapers in the 20th century.

National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW; 6:30 p.m., $17; members $12; 202-272-2448. (Judiciary Square)

Entertainment

A Nice Guy Finishes First

PERSONALITY | While "Win a Date with Tad Hamilton!" offers Topher Grace his first lead movie role, he says he didn't consciously seek a breakout role or star turn.

"That's like an agent's rule that you have to put yourself front and center," said the 25-year-old actor who plays the beleaguered Eric Forman on Fox's sitcom "That '70s Show." "I'm big-time into ensembles."

As a teenager, Grace filled small roles in school plays and then landed the lead role in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

"3rd Rock From the Sun" creators Terry and Bonnie Turner saw Grace's performance as the fast-talking slave Pseudolus (their daughter attended the same New Hampshire school), and later sought him to star in "That '70s Show." He dropped out of college to take the role. Although he had no formal training as an actor, Grace said he's learned a lot since then.

"Doing a sitcom is like a graduate school in acting," he said. "It's wonderful because you can kind of suck at the beginning and it's not really your fault as long as you're Darwinian about it and you evolve."

MARK J. TERRELL/AP

Grace has won fans by playing the heartthrob as cute, smart and unflashy.

He's hoping audiences appreciate "Tad Hamilton," and his effort to dodge the romantic-comedy cliche of being "the other guy." Grace plays a regular guy whose small-town true love is wooed by a Hollywood actor.

"He's a victim of nothing but circumstance, you know?" said Grace of his character. "No matter how good-looking you are, if Brad Pitt starts dating this girl you like, you're in trouble." ANTHONY BRECZNICAN (AP)

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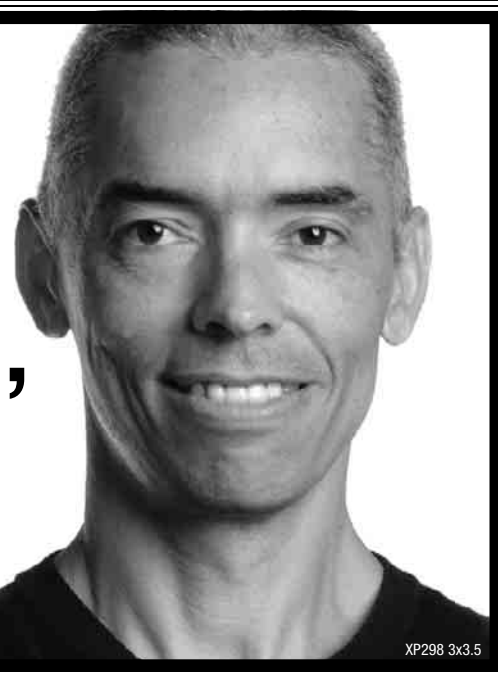

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Television

Tangled 'Traffic'

MINISERIES | Discerning viewers should not miss "Traffic: The Miniseries" (beginning tonight, 9 p.m., USA, through Wednesday). While based on the 2000 film (and the British miniseries that inspired that movie), "Traffic" presents an entirely different cast of characters and updates the drama to fold in the war on terror. It weaves a complex, overlapping story about the illegal international trade in drugs, weapons and human lives.

After DEA agent Mike McKay (Elias Koteas) appears to embark on a freelance mission with a known trafficker, federal agents — including his best friend, Brent (Martin Donovan) — descend on his home, scaring his wife and son out of their already fractured domesticity.

ALAN ZENUK/AP

Elias Koteas as DEA agent Mike McKay, on assignment in Afghanistan.

Elsewhere in the same city, Ben (Balthazar Getty) tries to help his father's debt-ridden garment business, only to discover that Dad has been compromised by his dealings with gangster Ronny Cho (Nelson Lee). A third subplot emerges when Ben hops into a cab driven by Chechen immigrant Adam (Cliff Curtis).

"Traffic" unfolds with an almost operatic sense of paranoia. In addition to its depiction of global conspiracies of the darkest kind, the film insists that the smallest acts of corruption can lead to unspeakable evils. Authorities on both sides of the law follow a similar strategy: If they can't get to the culprit, they know where to find his family.

"Traffic" is not a drama to watch with casual interest. The series demands, deserves and rewards close attention. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURES SYNDICATE)

ON TV TONIGHT

OH, HE'S ALWAYS PITHY

DENNIS MILLER (9 p.m., CNBC) Dennis Miller hosts a nightly talk-analysis show covering politics and news. He faces the prospect of trying to be funny, witty, pithy and quotable one hour a night, six nights a week.

Miller, who has professed a rightward tilt in his politics, joins "SNL" veteran Al Franken in the comedian-turned-political-pundit ranks. If Franken's career arc is any indication, a move toward politics may be a great mid-career boost. But Franken's path may also prove cautionary — can he ever return to nonpolitical comedy?

AND BEER WAS A NICKEL

THE WILD RIDE TO SUPER BOWL I (10 p.m., HBO) takes a documentary look at the first meeting between the then AFL and NFL teams. What a difference XXXVII games make. In 1967, the Green Bay Packers and Kansas City Chiefs played before more than 30,000 empty seats. Tickets were priced from $6 to $12 dollars, and television commercials went for $42,000.

YEAH, BUT WAIT TILL HIGH SCHOOL ENDS, BUFF-BOY

AVERAGE JOE: HAWAII (10 p.m., NBC) The muscular newcomers treat the Joes with disdain.

YOU MEAN HER OR HIM?

MY BIG, FAT, OBNOXIOUS FIANCE (9 p.m., Fox) The (unfunny) joke continues.

CULT CHOICE

TORN CURTAIN (8p.m., TCM) Paul Newman and Julie Andrews star in the 1966 Cold War drama. Many aficionados consider it to be one of director Alfred Hitchcock's lesser films. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	WBDC 50	Parkers CC	Steve Harvey	Parkers CC	Steve Harvey	7th Heaven (N) CC		Everwood (N) CC		Will & Grace	Just Shoot	Will & Grace	Blind Date (N)
BASIC CABLE	A&E	City Confidential CC		American Justice		Biography "John Stamos"		House of Dreams CC		Airline (N)	Airline CC	Third Watch "The Relay"	
	Animal	Crocodile Hunter CC		Animals	Animals	Cell Dogs "Ridgeland" (N)		Amazing Animal Videos		Animal Cops: Houston (N)		Cell Dogs "Ridgeland"	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live			BET com	★★★★ "When We Were Kings" (1996, Documentary)				Comicview		Nightly News	Hey Monie
	Bravo	(5:00) "The Big Kahuna" 'R'		West Wing CC		★★★ "Silverado" (1985, Western) Kevin Kline, Scott Glenn, Danny Glover. 'PG-13'						West Wing CC	
	Comedy	Late Night CC		Daily Show	★ "Joe Dirt" (2001) David Spade, Brittany Daniel.				South Park	Denis Leary-Cure		Daily Show	Tough Crowd
	Court	Profiler CC		Cops CC	Cops CC	Ext. Evidence	Masterminds	Forensic	Forensic	System "Naked Ambition"		NYPD Blue CC	
	Discovery	Prosecutors-Justice		MythBusters CC		Monster House CC		Monster Garage (N)		American Chopper (N)		Monster House CC	
	DISCH	Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Paramedics "Desert Sirens"		Cosmetic Surgery		Plastic Surgery		Cosmetic Surgery-Wrong		Cosmetic Surgery	
	Disney	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	Sister, Sister	Lizzie	★★½ "Brink!" (1998) Erik von Detten, Christina Vidal.				Sister, Sister	Boy World	Kim Possible	Proud Family
	E!	Golden Globes		E! News (N)		Sharon Stone: True Story		Fashion Police		Who's Coming to Decorate		Howard Stern	Howard Stern
	FX	Married...	Married...	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC	Cops CC
	HGTV	Before Aft	Building	Curb Appeal	House	Smart Design	Decorating	Mission	Designers'	Design-Dime	Design-Dime	House	Ground
	Family	Full House	Full House	7th Heaven CC		★★½ "She-Devil" (1989) Meryl Streep, Roseanne Barr.				Whose Line?	Whose Line?	700 Club CC	
	History	Organized Crime: History		Modern Marvels CC		Mail Call CC	Mail Call CC	Targeted (N) CC		Targeted (N) CC		Organized Crime: History	
	Lifetime	Unsolved Mysteries		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Nanny CC	Nanny CC	★★ "A Friendship to Die For" (2000) Linden Ashby.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	MTV	Taildaters (N)	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	MTV Cribs	Punk'd	Punk'd	Real World	MTV Cribs	Newlywed	Carmen-Dave
	NICK	U-Pick	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats CC	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Roseanne
	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Bane"		Stargate SG-1 CC		Stargate SG-1 CC		Stargate SG-1 CC		Stargate SG-1 CC		"The Darkling" (2000)	
	SPIKE	Cheers CC	Cheers CC	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		WWE Raw Scheduled: results from Royal Rumble. CC				John Henson	Extreme
	TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld CC	Seinfeld CC	Friends CC	★★½ "Legends of the Fall" (1994) (PA) Brad Pitt, Anthony Hopkins.					(:40) ★★½ "The Quick and the Dead"		
	TLC	Clean Sweep CC		Medical Detectives CC		Trauma: Life in the ER CC		Resident Life CC		Med. Mysteries		Trauma: Life in the ER CC	
	TNT	Charmed CC		Law & Order "Cherished"		Law & Order CC (DVS)		Law & Order "Maritime"		Law & Order "Hitman"		Law & Order "Forgiveness"	
	USA	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Traffic (N) (Part 1 of 3) CC				Traffic (Part 1 of 3) CC	
	VHI	Plastic Surgery Secrets		Cry Babies	Best Week	I Love the '80s "1988"		I Love the '80s "1989"		Bands Reunited (N)		Plastic Surgery Secrets	
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SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) CC		College Basketball Texas at Texas Tech. (Live) CC				Winter X-Games From Aspen, Colo. (Live) CC				SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	Billiards	NFL Films	NFL Live CC	Reporters	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Dallas Stars. (Live) CC					Tennis: Australian Open -- Quarterfinal		
	CSN	Football	SportsNite	NBA Basketball Portland Trail Blazers at Washington Wizards. (Live)					Wizards Post.	SportsNite	ACC Live (N)	Best Damn Sports Show	
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	MSNBC	Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) CC		Countdown-Olbermann		Deborah Norville Tonight		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball CC	
MOVIES	AMC	★★★★ "Goldfinger" (1964) Sean Connery. 'PG'				★★★ "The Terminator" (1984) Arnold Schwarzenegger.				★★½ "Darkman II: The Return of Durant" (1995) 'R'			
	TCM	(5:30) ★★★½ "Cool Hand Luke" (1967) Paul Newman.				★★★ "Torn Curtain" (1966) Paul Newman. Premiere. 'PG'				(:15) ★★★½ "Absence of Malice" (1981) Paul Newman.			
	HBO	High Crimes	★★ "Chain Reaction" (1996) Keanu Reeves. 'PG-13' CC				★★ "Men in Black II" (2002) 'PG-13' CC			Wild Ride to Super Bowl I		★ "Just Married" (2003)	
	MAX	(:15) ★★½ "Ricochet" (1991) Denzel Washington. 'R'				★★½ "White Oleander" (2002) Alison Lohman. 'PG-13'				★★½ "Next of Kin" (1989) Patrick Swayze. 'R' CC			
	SHO	(5:30) ★★★ "Mr. Saturday Night" (1992)			Going On	★★★½ "The Hours" (2002) Meryl Streep. 'PG-13' CC				Queer	(:45) Queer as Folk (iTV)		It's My Party
	TMC	Scandalous	(:20) ★½ "Crossroads" (2002) 'PG-13'			★★★ "Changing Lanes" (2002) 'R' CC			(:45) ★★★ "Flatliners" (1990) Kiefer Sutherland. 'R' CC				Night Fire 'R'
	STARZ!	"Sometime They"		(:10) ★★ "Maid in Manhattan" (2002) Jennifer Lopez.				★★★ "Red Dragon" (2002) Anthony Hopkins. 'R' CC				(:10) ★★★ "25th Hour" 'R'	
	ENCORE	(:05) ★★ "Angie" (1994) Geena Davis. 'R' CC				★ "Jason X" (2002) Lexa Doig. 'R' CC			(:35) ★★ "The Seventh Sign" (1988) 'R'			(:15) "Black Hawk Down"	

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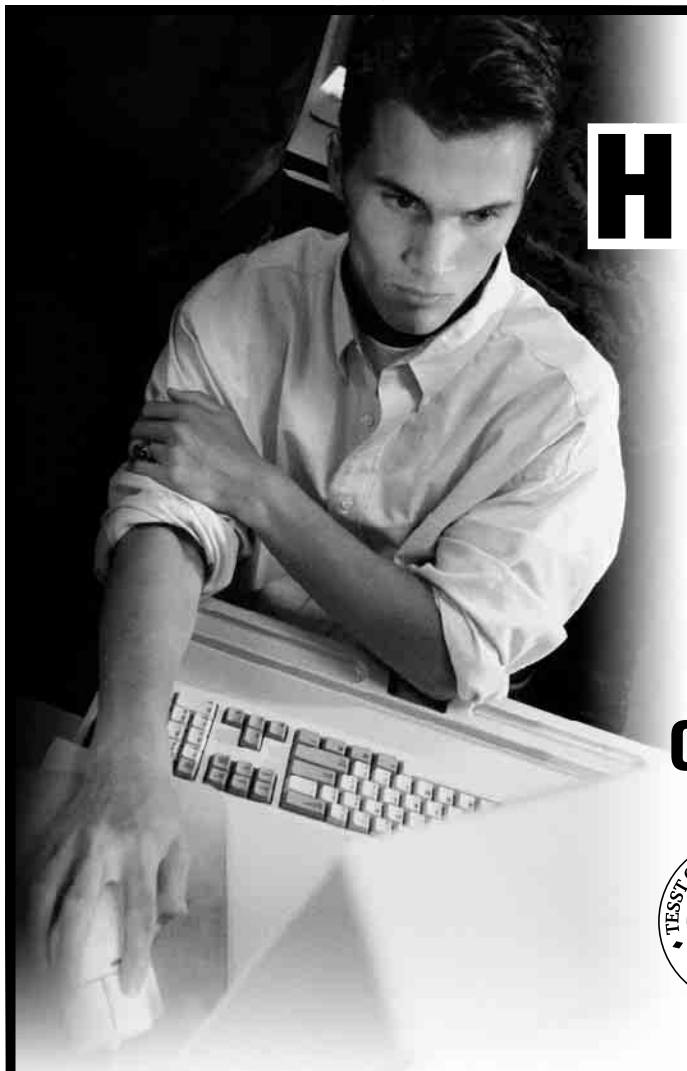

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Careers

The Simple Life

Now more than ever, peace-seekers are leaving the fast track

TRAJECTORIES | Sandi Garcia was living her dream — or so she thought. With a marketing degree from the University of Wyoming, she moved to Florida, started climbing the corporate ladder and was making good money.

There was only one problem: She was miserable. Up at 6 a.m. and getting home from work in time to watch the late-night news, she often worked weekends, too.

"I got burnt out pretty quickly," says the 26-year-old, who longed for a life that was "calmer and simpler." She found it back in her native Cheyenne, Wyo., where she now has plenty of time to ski, volunteer and enjoy her family.

Experts say Garcia is one of a growing number of Americans — particularly people in their 20s and 30s — who are making a conscious decision to slow down and cut back on all that overwhelms them.

"It's true among people of all ages. But it's much stronger — much more notable — among the younger generations," says Bruce Tulgan, a Connecticut-based consultant.

CHRIS DEVITTO/AP

HOME ON THE RANGE: Sandi Garcia now works at the Wyoming Business Council.

While some religious faiths have long touted the virtues of a simpler life, researchers also are finding evidence of positive effects.

"The upshot is that people who value money and image and status are actually less happy," says Tim Kasser, a psychologist at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., who has researched the phenomenon. "We found this in people from age 10 to 80 — all around the world," says Kasser.

Garcia didn't know any of this. She just listened to her gut and found the simpler life she craved in Wyoming, the state she once wanted to escape. "Someone told me that you can never appreciate what you have until you've left," she says. "I never thought that was true — but now I really do."

MARTHA IRVINE (AP)

The job you don't want: The Washington Post Magazine's Wells Tower chats about his story on telemarketers today at 1 p.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

Steal This Job

Yan Xi, 32

JOB: Standardized patient at area medical schools (an occasional gig in between acting and modeling jobs, though some folks do it for a living).
SALARY: Starts at $15 per hour; pay is higher for more invasive exams, such as pelvic or breast.
EDUCATION: Bachelor's in computer science from University of Maryland.
WHAT DO YOU DO? Role play as a patient for medical school exercises and final exams in which students need to reach a diagnosis; roles include suffering abdominal pain, headaches and HIV infection. Grade students on their technical and personal skills. "This is really their only chance to practice with real people."
HOW DID YOU GET YOUR JOB? Saw an ad on a Web site for actors. Once hired, there's an orientation and practice session.
HOW CAN I GET YOUR JOB? You don't need a background in acting (though talent helps) or medicine, and you should be prepared to deal with some sub-par bedside manner. A command performance — like bursting into tears while playing a woman being diagnosed with HIV — can make all the difference. "I think they were all stunned and didn't know what to do, what to say. It was about a good two minutes of silence until someone handed over a tissue box." DANNY FREEDMAN (EXPRESS)

Increasingly, Teens Lured By Business

SUBJECT | Nearly 13 percent of teens selected "businessperson" as their ideal job in a recent survey. That's nearly twice the number who selected "doctor" (6.5 percent). The preference for business was the highest in the poll's five-year history.

Perceptions of earning power are also becoming more realistic, showed the Colorado-based Junior Achievement's annual JA Interprise Poll, conducted nationwide in October and November. Only 8 percent believe they'll earn $1 million by age 40, down from 14 percent in the last poll. (AP)

People

KNIGHTS

Sir It's a Feature, Not a Bug

Britain will give an honorary knighthood to Microsoft Corp. co-founder and chairman **BILL GATES** in recognition of his contribution to enterprise in Britain. Because he is not a British citizen, Gates cannot use "Sir" in front of his name, but he can put KBE (Knight Commander of the British Empire) after his name. (AP)

HEARSAY | EXCUSES

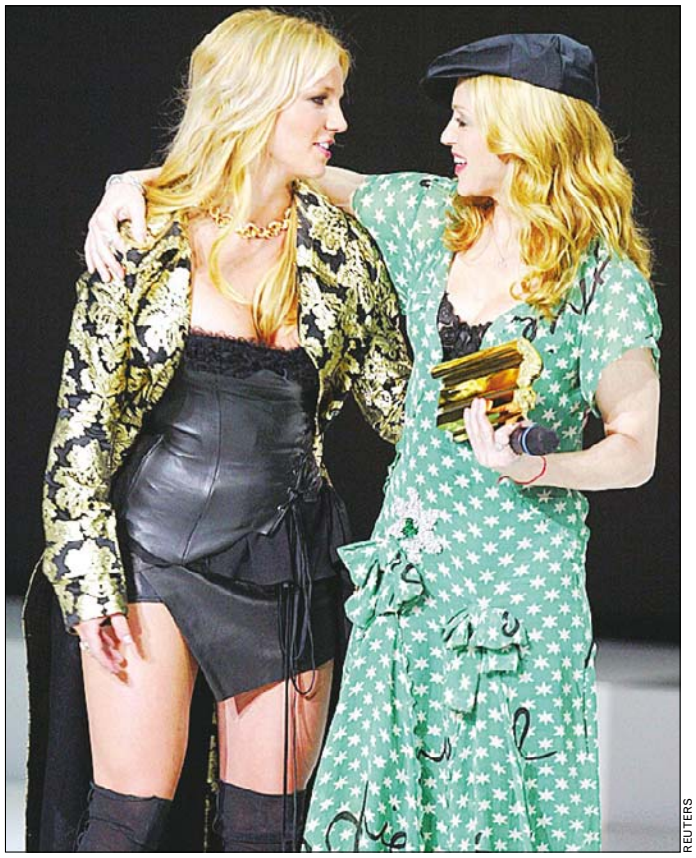
"I don't have credibility, I'm a comedian. I'm not Ed Murrow up on the roof in a London fog reporting on the blitz."

—DENNIS MILLER
ON HIS NEW CNBC TALK SHOW, ON WHICH HE SAYS HE WILL NOT MOCK PRESIDENT BUSH.

PILGRIMS

After, You Get a Certificate

Singer **PAUL SIMON** will join the ranks of celebrities who have met the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala, India, on Monday. Other Dharamsala visitors include Sarah Ferguson, the Duchess of York, Pierce Brosnan, Steven Seagal, Goldie Hawn and, of course, Richard Gere. (EXPRESS)



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GRUSOME TWOSOMES

What Is She Wearing?

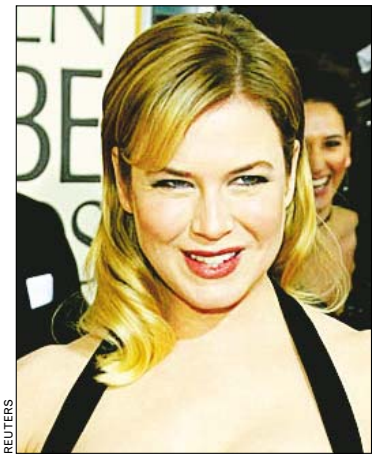
MADONNA accepted a career award from an unflatteringly clad, virtually unrecognizable **BRITNEY SPEARS** at a French music awards show in Cannes — but this time, no tongue kissing. A demure Madonna gave a bloated-looking Spears a chaste peck on the cheek as she received the award at the Saturday ceremony. "My ambition may be American, and I may have married a Brit, but my heart belongs to France," Madonna told the crowd. (AP)

WINNERS

We Love You, J. Lo — Have You Gained Weight?

It was Sunday evening on the East Coast. They trooped in, bedecked in their pre-Oscar finery, while the audience at home had the audacity to criticize their costumes, make-up and even weight. Yes, it was the Golden Globes. Early statues went to Tim Robbins for "Mystic River" and **RENEE ZELLWEGER** for "Cold Mountain," for Best Supporting Actor and Actress, respectively. (EXPRESS)

Who won? For more Golden Globe results, visit washingtonpost.com



REUTERS

Renee Zellweger is a best supporter.

APOLOGIES

Low-Carb Contrition

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, embroiled in a battle over remarks he made about Dr. Robert Atkins, offered the diet guru's widow a low-carb mea culpa Saturday. "In order to make it up to Mrs. Atkins, the mayor would like to invite her to a steak dinner — no potatoes," the mayor's spokesman said. A spokesman for Veronica Atkins said Saturday evening that the dinner invitation had been accepted. (AP)

BRUNO DOMINGOS/REUTERS

Of what problems that hair could possibly suffer, we can only speculate.

HILTONS

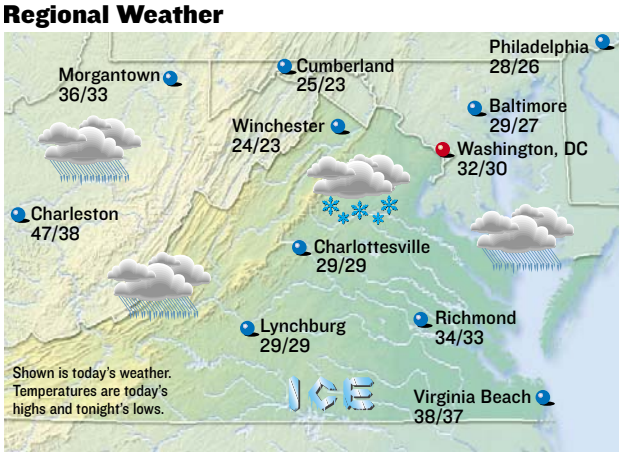
Blame It on Rio, and Paris

Socialite and reality TV star **PARIS HILTON** became a model — and the main attraction of Rio de Janeiro's fashion week — as she strolled the catwalk for local designer Colcci. She also delayed the show for an hour to cope with unspecified hair problems. With most top models staying away from this season's Fashion Rio, Hilton was the closest thing the event had to a star. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cloudy; snow, then freezing drizzle	Cloudy; freezing rain moving in	Cloudy with a mix of snow, sleet and rain	Windy with clouds and sun	Partly sunny	Times of clouds and sun
32°	30°	36° / 30°	42° / 26°	44° / 32°	46° / 34°

Regional Weather



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Sun.

Temperature

High	20°
Low	14°
Normal high	43°
Normal low	27°
Average humidity	41%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.90"
Normal month to date	2.61"
Year to date	0.90"
Last year to date	2.22"
Normal year to date	2.61"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: washingtonpost.com/weather

Regional Forecast

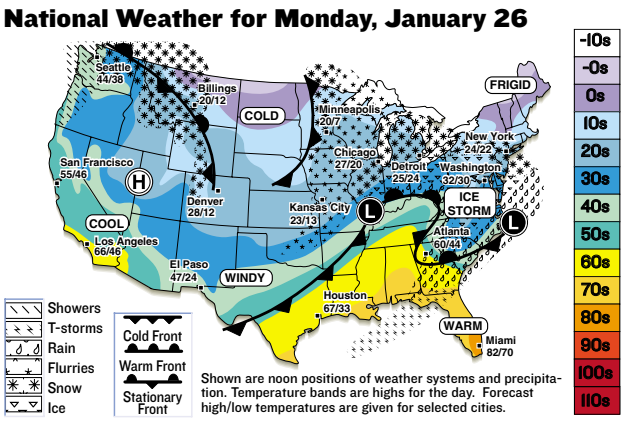
D.C. Metro: Today, cloudy, snow, then freezing drizzle. High 32. Wind east 8-16 mph. Tonight, cloudy, freezing rain and drizzle. Low 30.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	7:20 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:22 p.m.
Moonrise today	10:18 a.m.
Moonset today	10:46 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
Jan 29	Feb 6	Feb 13	Feb 20

National Weather for Monday, January 26



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	60/44/r	48/24/pc
Boston	18/14/pc	24/20/sn
Chicago	27/20/c	26/11/c
Dallas	52/26/pc	48/29/s
Denver	28/12/pc	45/22/pc
Honolulu	81/69/pc	81/69/pc
Los Angeles	66/46/pc	64/50/pc
Miami	82/70/pc	78/51/c
New York City	24/22/sn	29/24/c
Orlando	77/63/c	72/41/c
Seattle	44/38/r	44/40/r

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	35/28/sn	35/28/c
Athens	42/32/sn	52/45/r
Berlin	27/19/c	23/18/sn
Buenos Aires	91/73/s	91/73/s
Calgary	-14/-23/sn	-17/-18/sn
Dublin	41/30/c	38/34/pc
Geneva	35/26/sn	27/14/sn
Moscow	20/6/c	22/7/c
Rome	44/37/r	51/34/c
Sydney	81/59/c	80/62/pc
Tokyo	40/30/pc	40/29/c

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

I WAS EXTREMELY disappointed by the minimal coverage of last Thursday's March for Life and especially by the picture you chose to print about it ("Dividing Lines," Jan. 23-25).

By looking at the photo, readers would assume there were as many pro-choice demonstrators as there were pro-life demonstrators. The fact was, tens of thousands of people from all over the country were practicing their right to protect the voice of the unborn.

You did not adequately cover this information with the picture you chose to print and by failing to print more detailed information. In the future, please portray the truth in the pictures you print.

—LAURIE HUETTLER
Bowie, Md.

I JUST READ your review of Fox TV's show "Arrested Development" ("Crazy for the Folks, Jan. 21). I think it's one of the most underrated shows on TV. It's a shame that more people haven't taken the time to check it out. The characters are outrageous, especially my favorite, Tobias. When Sunday evening rolls around, watching AD has become a ritual in my household.

—JELANI TENDAI
Washington D.C.

WRITE TO EXPRESS

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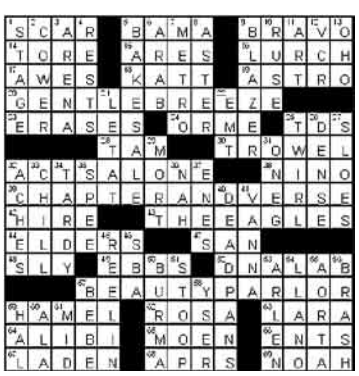
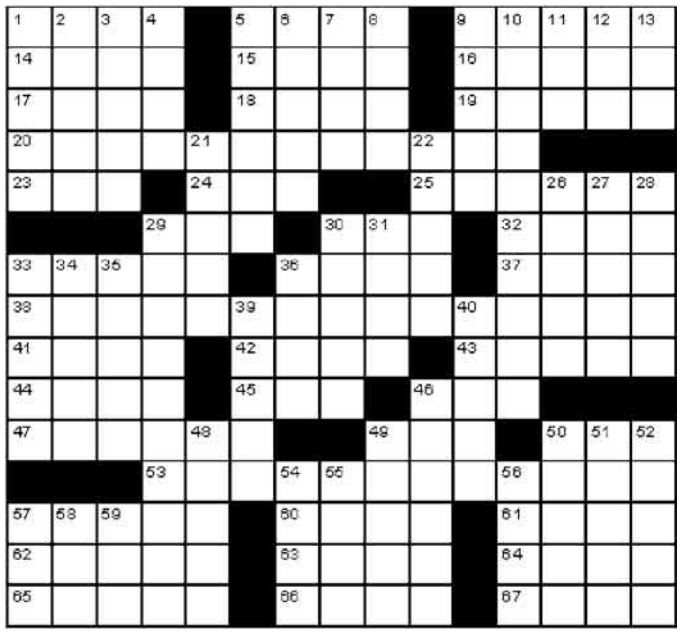


Crossword Puzzle: Uncharted Waters | *Edited by Timothy E. Parker*



ACROSS
1 Soak up
5 Pinches
9 React to "cheese"
14 Jai ___
15 Grimm character
16 A Brady
17 Leo or Libra
18 Home run pace
19 Giraffe cousin
20 Start of a quote
23 Jason Kidd, for one
24 "The Gold Bug" author
25 "The Addams Family" character
29 Morning moisture
30 Part of ETA (Abbr.)
32 They play while the cat's away
33 On the wagon
36 Award given by The Village Voice
37 Go beyond a once-over
38 Middle of quote
41 Part of the Aloha State
42 Land of Molly Bloom
43 "___ Davis Eyes"
44 Baby buggy
45 "___ real!"
46 Type of sauce
47 Group with 100 members
49 Home of the Horned Frogs
50 Where to find Magic and Wizards
53 End of quote
57 Famous shroud's locale
60 Person with a list
61 Certain no-show
62 Astonish
63 Apropos of
64 First name of "The Church Lady"
65 "American Buffalo" playwright
66 Not sleep peacefully
67 They're kept under lids, especially at night

DOWN
1 Boatyard
2 "It's ___!"
3 Bob of "Full House"
4 Kind of snake or crab
5 "Can't you see I'm busy?"
6 Match up
7 Eye accent
8 Adam's third
9 Come home
10 Is in the black
11 Tax break savings account
12 Hack off
13 Gin name?
21 "Falstaff," for one
22 Actor Zimbalist Jr.
26 Like close friends
27 Acclaim
28 Witherspoon in "Pleasantville"
29 Divest of individuality
30 Terminate, at Cape Canaveral
31 Prevalent
33 Slams the door on
34 It gets many touchdowns
35 "The Hostage" playwright
36 Garfield's pal
39 Israeli desert
40 Close to
46 Temper tantrums
48 Principle
49 Peter and Alexander
50 "Forget about it!"
51 Pioneer Daniel
52 It can help you to see the world
54 Redo a clue
55 Truckee stop
56 Fall behind in the stretch
57 Highland hat
58 Ethan's co-star in "Gattaca"
59 Computerphile's concern

The Duplex | *Glenn McCoy*

Horoscope | *Stella Wilder*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Try to strike out in a direction that is all your own. You needn't follow in anyone else's footsteps.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Be careful that you do not let your attention to detail make you miss out on the big picture. Don't let how and why hold you back.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Someone is trying very hard to get your attention. Open your eyes and ears; it will be very much to your advantage to take notice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Try to find a little time to get outside. Some fresh air can clear your mind and simplify much of the confusion you may be feeling.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You may discover that what you want isn't exactly what is best for you. Use the time to reassess your desires with care.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You may have trouble sitting still for anything. Try to take your restlessness and channel it into something positive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You should be able to free yourself from bureaucratic hassles that have been holding you back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Issues arise that require you look at things from a different perspective — at least for the time being.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Keep a tight grip on your love for food and drink. Remember, gluttony is no virtue, and moderation in all things applies to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Someone you have a romantic attachment to needs some special attention. Make sure you let that special someone know you care.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Take care you give no ultimatums unless you are truly willing to live up to your end of the bargain. Empty threats will get you nowhere.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Try not to be so glued to your own opinions. You have some very good advice coming, and it would benefit you to pay attention to it.

LIVE ONLINE

Men's Fashion

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Washington Post fashion editor **ROBIN GIVHAN** was online Friday to discuss current men's fashion.

Is the changing male fashion scene the result of gay influence?

In a word, yes. But it's also influenced by a host of other factors. I am loathe to make a sweeping statement about a "gay aesthetic," but it would be fair to say that a significant number of movers and shakers in the fashion industry are gay; that gay men, on average, tend to be more adventurous and more focused on clothes — or at least are willing to admit that they are.

But the male fashion scene is also influenced by African American men, teenagers, sports, technology, CEOs and Hollywood.

Is there a rule regarding when it is appropriate to wear white socks?

Wear white socks to the gym. Wear them with white pants. The end of white socks.

What's with this whole "metrosexual" craze? I walk down the street every day wondering if we've been occupied by France. Will Home Depot be able to cope?

Popular culture loves a freshly coined word. I think the word is silly, but it reflects a laudable trend, which is men who care about good grooming and style, and, more important, aren't embarrassed to admit it. As for Home Depot, what woman wouldn't love a man who can hang shelves but also knows his way around the Kiehl's counter?

What's your No. I pet peeve about men's fashion?

I can pick only one? Then it would be the man in the uniform: Dockers, blue chambray button-down shirt, loafers with a rolled over heel that haven't seen polish in their lifetime, canvas backpack.

Today on Live Online

11 A.M.: Charles Osgood, anchor of "CBS News Sunday Morning," discusses the 25th anniversary of the program.

NOON: Dan Tangherlini, director of the D.C. Department of Transportation, discusses The Washington Post series, "The Road Ahead: Solutions for Now."

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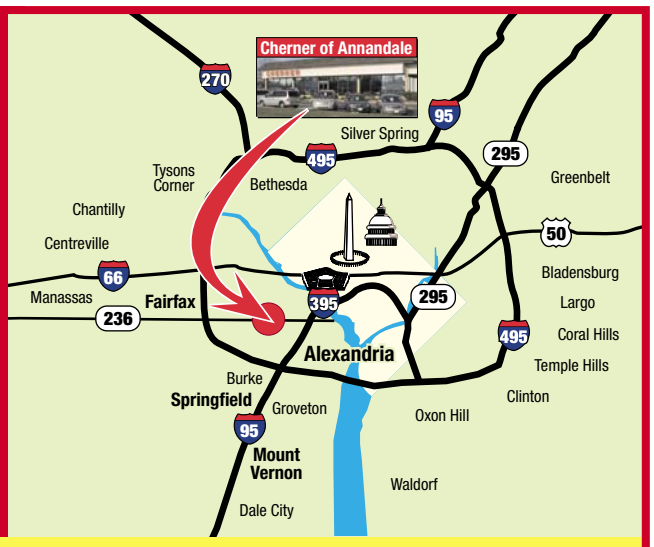

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